People below poverty line

1969. SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNACHALAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of the people living below the poverty line since 1980, Statewise; and

(b) what are the criteria for the allotment of grants to the States to reduce the number of people living below the poverty line?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Poverty estimates are worked out using the National Sample Survey (NSS data) on household consumption expenditure. Latest State-wise information about the number of people below the poverty line is available for two points of time viz. 1977-78 and 1983-84 (enclosed as annexure I) (*See* Appendix CXLI, Annexure No. 83.) and II (*See* Appendix CXLI, Annexure No. 79.).

(b) The outlays under the major poverty alleviation programmes are largely based upon the principle of selectivity, geared to actual incidence of poverty in different States. Under the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) for the first two years of the Seventh Plan, 50 per cent of the allocations were made on uniform basis per block as in the Sixth Plan and the remaining 50 per cent on the basis of incidence of poverty. For the third year of the Plan, 2/3rd of the allocations are to be made on incidence of poverty and the remaining 1/3rd on uniform basis. Under the National Rural Employment Programme (NREP) and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) 50 per cent of the allocations are made on the basis of incidence of poverty and 50 per cent on the number of marginal farmers, agricultural labourers and marginal workers.

Movies for adults on Doordarshan

1970. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Doordarshan has decided to screen adult movies late in the night on the pattern of such programmes shown in developed countries;

(b) whether this programme will cover all stations in the national network or will be shown only in major cities; and

(c) whether the Doordarshan evaluates the reactions of people to their various serials shown over the network; if so, whether any improvements are made in the serials after screening few episodes and after obtaining the reaction of the viewers thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) It has been decided to telecast films of high quality and aesthetic value which may, inter-alia, deal with issues and perceptions which are adult in nature twice a week around 11.30 p.m.

(b) These films will be telecast for the present from Doordarshan Kendras at Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Bangalore and Lucknow.

(c) Yes, Sir. Audience Research Unit of Doordarshan obtains viewers' reaction through Viewers Panels organised in 12 Centres in the country on a monthly basis. The feed back is made use of in the future programming and for taking remedial measure.

Contribution of Government and private agencies in anti-poverty programmes

1971. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of anti-poverty programmes undertaken by

Government and private agencies during last three years; and

(b) what is the allocation made during the Seventh Five Year Plan period for each Programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) The details of major anti-poverty programmes undertaken by the Government and through private/voluntary agencies are as follows:

(i) *Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP)*:

The programme aims to assist the families below the poverty line in rural areas in taking up self-employment ventures in a variety of activities, through endowment of income generating assets funded by a combination of subsidy and institutional credit. An outlay of Rs. 2358.81 crores has been provided for this programme in the Seventh Plan and the target is to cover 20 million households including about 10 million old who are to be given supplementary dose of assistance. This programme is being implemented on 50:50 sharing basis between the Centre and the States.

(ii) *National Rural Employment Programme (NREP)*:

This programme envisages generation of additional employment opportunities for unemployed and under-employed persons in the rural areas, while simultaneously creating durable community assets for direct and continuing benefits to poverty groups and for strengthening the rural economy as well as improving the overall quality of life in rural areas. An outlay of Rs. 2487.47 crores has been provided for the programme during the Seventh Plan with the objective of generating 1445 million mandays of employment. This programme is being implemented on 50:50 sharing basis between the Centre and the States.

(iii) *Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP)*:

The basic objectives of this programme are to improve and expand employment opportunities for rural landless with a view to provide employment for at least one member of every landless labour household upto 100 days in a year and to create durable assets for strengthening the rural infrastructure which will lead to rapid growth. This programme is 100 per cent centrally funded. For the Seventh Plan, an outlay of Rs. 1743.78 crores has been provided for the programme and a target of 1013 million mandays of employment generation has been fixed.

बजट कार्यों में हिन्दी का प्रयोग

1972. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार कोई ऐसी व्यवस्था करेगी कि जो राज्य जिनकी राज भाषा हिन्दी है बजट योजना तथा अन्य पत्र राजभाषा में भेजेंगे, उन पर राजभाषा में ही विचार किया जायेगा तथा उसी भाषा में ही उत्तर भी दिया जायेगा; और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो सरकार इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में व्यय विभाग के राज्य मंत्री (श्री बी० के० गढवी) : (क) और (ख) भारत सरकार के लिये राज्यों द्वारा भेजे गये बजटीय योजना और अन्य कागजातों पर विचार करने का कोई कारण नहीं है क्योंकि सांविधानिक प्रावधानों के अनुसार राज्य सरकारें अपनी अपनी राज्य विधान सभाओं में अपने बजट प्रस्तुत करने के लिये सक्षम है ।

देवनागरी में संचार उपकरणों का उपलब्ध कराया जाना

1973. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देश में देवनागरी लिपि का टेलेक्स, टेलीप्रिन्टर, कम्प्यूटर, पता लेखी